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Minutes 04/30/2012

TOWN OF ARLINGTON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Meeting Minutes
Monday, April 30, 2012
7:00 p.m.

Present: Mr. Greeley, Chair, Mr. Dunn, Vice Chair, Mrs. Mahon, Mr. Byrne, Mr. Curro
 Also Present: Mr. Chapdelaine, Ms. Rice and Mrs. Krepelka

FOR APPROVAL

1. CONSENT AGENDA (one vote required for approval of all items)
 - a. Request: Contractor/Drainlayer License
 Gallup Landscape Co. Inc., Cambridge, MA
 Mrs. Mahon moved approval. SO VOTED (5-0)
2. Approval: Arlington Hazard Mitigation Plan
 Michael Rademacher, Director, Department of Public Works

The Board voted to adopt the Town of Arlington Hazard Mitigation Plan in accordance with Title 1, Article 2, Section 1, of the Bylaws of the Town of Arlington.
 Mr. Dunn moved approval. SO VOTED (5-0)

TRAFFIC RULES & ORDERS/OTHER BUSINESS

3. Rehearing: Warrant Article 28: Vote/Street Name Standardization
 Daniel J. Dunn, Selectman

Amy Goldstein, 29 Albermarle Street, presented Selectman Dunn with a letter signed by all residents of Albermarle Street requesting that the Board change its previous vote from Albemarle Street to Albermarle for all purposes. Ms. Goldstein thanked Mr. Dunn and the Board for reviewing this Warrant Article and supporting the residents' request.
 Mr. Dunn moved approval. SO VOTED (5-0)

4. Vote: Water and Sewer Rate Increase FY2013
 Adam W. Chapdelaine, Town Manager

Town Manager Chapdelaine asked the Board to approve the new water rates that were presented at their April 23rd meeting. The new rates would be a 7.5% increase in water/sewer rates and a 3% increase in the base fee beginning July 1, 2012. Mr. Chapdelaine stated the water/sewer rates have been increasing faster than revenues and the town has started using funds from the reserve fund.

Gordon Jamieson, 163 Scituate Street, suggested that the Board should consider shortening the grace period from 60 days to 30 days which would allow the town to collect payment for 13 months and receive 8.5% more revenue. Mr. Chapdelaine stated the extra month would come out of the next fiscal year resulting in a revenue dip.

Mr. Chapdelaine also stated the enterprise fund could absorb the shortfall for now and the town can rate revisions next year.

Mrs. Mahon moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

5. Update: Disabled American Veterans Club
Juliana Rice, Town Counsel

Town Counsel gave an update to the Board regarding the Disabled American Veterans Club at 1207 Massachusetts Avenue. The Club will have its license suspended from May 30, 2012 to June 10, 2012 after allegedly engaging in illegal gambling, selling alcoholic drinks to non-members, selling non-whole alcohol drinks and selling unstamped cigarettes. The ABCC and the Arlington Police Dept. found violations during a surprise March 8th inspection.

Ms. Rice learned recently that the Board of Selectmen is the record owner of 1207 Massachusetts Avenue and has not been able to locate any lease that allows the DAV to use the premises.

Mrs. Mahon moved to have the building appraised and then have a more formal meeting. After the appraisal is done, the Board may issue an RFP to see what other interest there may be in the property.

SO VOTED (5-0)

The Town Manager and Town Counsel will report back to the Board of Selectmen after the appraisal is done.

6. Discussion: Revised One Day Alcohol Policy
Juliana Rice, Town Counsel

After much discussion regarding the one day alcohol policy, Mr. Byrne recommended a change to Item #6 - Security - that at least one (1) person who will be staffing each point of alcoholic beverages has certification in TIPS or comparable safety training.

Mrs. Mahon moved approval of the One Day All Alcohol Policy.

SO VOTED (5-0)

7. Discussion: Alcohol Package Stores
Kevin F. Greeley, Chair
(tabled from 4/30/12 meeting)

After reviewing our existing Policy for All Alcohol Package Stores the Board approved the same criteria as they used before. Applications for the two remaining licenses will be received at the Selectmen's Office through May 21, 2012.

Mr. Byrne moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

8. Discussion: Selectmen Awards

Kevin F. Greeley, Chair

(tabled from 4/23/12 meeting)

Mr. Greeley tabled to a future meeting.

SO VOTED (5-0)

Correspondence Received

Elizabeth Guyer Safety at Brand and Forest Streets
14 Brand Street

Be Rec'd

Mrs. Mahon asked that Ms. Guyer's letter be sent to TAC for review and recommendation.

SO VOTED (5-0)

Mrs. Mahon moved to adjourn at 7:58 p.m. to go downstairs to attend Town Meeting.

SO VOTED (5-0)

A true record: Attest
Marie A. Krepelka
Board Administrator

